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Download and preview the video on Salt Lake City at namb.net/video/slc. Have a large map of North America handy, if you desire to locate Salt Lake City in relation to your own city.

Copy the fill-in-the-blank sentences on page 2 of this document. Distribute the sheets to the children, along with pencils. (Answer key is below.)

Introduce the video with the following information:

Tell the children they are about to see a video about missions in Salt Lake City, Utah. Locate Salt Lake City on the map. Locate your city on the map as well, noting the distance from where you are to Salt Lake City. Share the following information about Salt Lake City:

Salt Lake City is named for the Great Salt Lake, which is located nearby. This lake is so salty few fish can live in it. The Great Salt Lake is similar to the Dead Sea, which is located near Jerusalem.

Only a little more than 2 percent of the millions of people living in Salt Lake City are friends of Jesus. That means that out of 100 people, only two people have a personal relationship with Him. Of the rest, more than half have a false view of Him (Mormon), and the others don't want anything to do with anything religious.

But churches all over North America are trying to change that by sending people to Salt Lake City to plant new churches. Watch this video of some of the pastors of the new churches, and fill in the blanks to the sentences on your papers.

Show the video, and go over the correct answers. Invite discussion. Be prepared to explain some things about the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Mormon), especially their views of Jesus and salvation. The following website provides helpful information: 4truth.net/Mormon_Plan_of_Salvation.

1. [Travis Kerns] is the Send City coordinator for Salt Lake City.
2. You can look out and see the different religious buildings throughout, but you do not see any [churches].
3. Salt Lake City is 70 percent [Mormon].
4. They have Mormons and people who hate everything about [religion].
5. Usually when we start talking about [Jesus], we have to quickly clarify which [Jesus] we are talking about.
6. The [church] is the best function for missions to be accomplished.
7. [Partners] for us here in Salt Lake are huge.
8. Our partners are absolutely [essential].
9. We can never have enough [workers] or [help].
10. The better question isn't [why] Salt Lake, the better question is [why not] Salt Lake.

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